

ORDINANCE NO. 4
1986 Series

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING WEED AND GRASS CONTROL.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF FRANKLIN
COUNTY KENTUCKY, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY:

- (a) It shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant, or person having control of management of any land within Franklin County, outside to corporate limits of the City of Frankfort, Kentucky, to permit the excessive growth thereon of bushes, weeds, or grass on tracts of land containing less than one and one-half (1 ½) acres or on tracts of land which has been platted of record in the Franklin County Court Clerk's Office and on which development has commenced or tracts occupied by single family dwellings.
- (b) Whenever such a situation is discovered, any official named herein shall be given five (5) days' notice to the owner, occupant or person having control or management of said land to remedy such situation. Said notice shall be by first class mail to the last known address of the owner of said property, as it appears on the current tax assessment roll. Notice shall state that the owner shall comply and continue to cut said weeds and grass or be subject to penalties hereinafter listed in section (c). Upon the failure of the owner of the property to comply, any official named herein is authorized to immediately begin processing said violation through the court system.
- (c) Any property owner violation the provisions of section (a) shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in any sum not less than Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00), nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) each day that such property owner shall violate the provisions shall constitute a separate offense.
- (d) This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an exercise of the Franklin County Fiscal Court's police power for the preservation of the public, peace, health, safety and general welfare. The Building Inspector, Codes Inspector, Sheriff, or any peace officer is empowered by the Franklin County Fiscal Court to enforce the requirements of this chapter upon reference by the Franklin County Judge/Executive's Office.

- (e) In addition to the remedies hereinabove provided, the County may send employees or other workmen upon the property to remedy the situation; the county shall have a lien against said property for the reasonable value of labor and materials used in remedying such situation. The affidavit of the designated enforcement official or any of them shall constitute prima facie evidence of the amount of the lien and the regularity of the proceedings. A statement of lien may be filed in the County Clerk's Office and shall be notice to all persons from the time of its recording and shall bear interest at six percent (6%) per annum thereafter until paid.

INTRODUCED, SECONDED AND GIVEN FIRST READING
APPROVAL at a duly convened meeting of the Fiscal Court of the County of Franklin, Kentucky, held on the 30th day of May, 1986.

GIVEN SECOND READING AND ADOPTED AT A DULY
CONVENED MEETING OF THE FISCAL COURT OF THE COUNTY OF
FRANKLIN, KENTUCKY HELD ON June 27, 1986, of recorded in Order Book 14,
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Robert T. Harrod
County Judge/Executive

ATTEST:

Paula M. Smith
Fiscal Court Clerk